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USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

For cleaning faces and delicate fabrics magnesia is perhaps the most reliable substance. It may be bought either in powder or in lumps. It should be sifted or rubbed on the parts to be cleaned, and laid away in a box or drawer for a day or so, undisturbed. When it is taken out, the garment should be shaken well, so that the powder left will not go on absorbing dust from the air and the objects with which it comes in contact, leaving a dirtier spot than before. It is a good plan to put the magnesia on party dresses and other light frocks that have become partly soiled when putting them away whether they actually need to be cleaned or not. Then when they are taken out and shaken they are as fresh and dainty as when they were new.

A splendid cement for china is made by mixing plaster of Paris into a thick solution of gum arabic and water.

The addition of a beaten egg to the mashed potatoes used for potato cakes will be found well worth while.

Stains and discolorations on finware can be removed by dipping a damp cloth in common soda and rubbing briskly.

Steel knives that are not in general use can be kept from rusting if they are dipped in a strong solution of soda.

To clean marble take two parts of soda, one of pumice, and one of salt, all in powder, and mix to a paste with water.

Fat which is to be kept should be cut up small and boiled in a saucepan in a little water, and never put into the oven to melt.

A simple syrup that is good to serve on hot waffles is made by boiling water and sugar together and adding cinnamon to taste.

Cake cans can be more quickly and evenly greased if the pans are first heated.

Most housekeepers are agreed that better work can be accomplished by using a heavy iron than a light one.

A glazier's knife is a convenient thing with which to scrape the bottoms of pans and kettles.

To keep almonds from oiling when chipped, add a few drops of rose water.

In papering a room, remember that large patterns and dark colors will make it appear smaller, while a plain or striped paper, if a light hue, will give an impression of increased size.

If the pans in which milk, custards and salad dressings are to be boiled are first wiped out with a cloth greased with lard they will neither stick nor scorch.

For removing grease, paint, stains, or other soiled spots from the most delicate colors, or fabrics, without fading them, or leaving the least spot or stain, rub the soiled spot with a cloth thoroughly saturated with chloroform, and it will disappear instantly. It will also remove paint from the flesh. Use with caution.

If you cannot get asleep try a sponge bath made thus: Use eight ounces of alcohol put two of ammonia and two of camphor. Shake thoroughly, and when well mixed add four ounces of sea salt and enough hot water to fill a quart bottle. To apply it, pour a little of the liquid in a shallow dish, moisten the whole body a little at a time by dipping a small sponge in it. Rub on only a very little, then finish with a vigorous rubbing with a coarse crash towel. Get into bed, and we'll insure the quick arrival of "Nature's quick restorer, balmy sleep."

If your furniture has grown dull and streaked try rubbing up with a flannel dipped in equal parts of turpentine and coal oil. It polishes quickly and much more cheaply than expensive polishes.

The dishwasher who would get through quickly invests in a soap shaker and a chain for cleaning pots and pans. She also has on hand over the sink a box of borax and a bottle of ammonia for cutting grease.

Iron holders made from a piece of asbestos the desired size and covered with drilling or heavy unbleached muslin are light and keep cool heat. There should be a ring or loop sewed to one corner to hang the holder.

"Red" meats are less liable to contamination than fish or chicken. The latter should not be eaten if there is the least suspicion of odor about them. Beef slightly tainted, though disagreeable, will not produce poisonous poisoning.

A loaf of bread will keep fresh much longer if placed in a covered crock. Wrap in a large cloth to exclude air and keep the crock in a cool place. It is nicer than a tin vessel and much better than keeping the bread in the refrigerator.

Soap jelly is a valuable help in washing dainty things and is easily prepared, though it cannot be made too long before-hand, because if it is kept more than a week or so it loses its strength. Take as much soap as will be needed, and shred it finely with a knife, putting it in a saucepan to melt slowly till it is clear and without lumps. Then pour it off into a jar or basin, and let it remain until required.

Rust stains may be removed from white clothes by applying lemon juice and salt on the spot.

Ink spots which cannot be washed out with water may be vanquished with sweet milk.

Silk stockings should be soaked for a half hour in warm water softened with ammonia, gently squeezed and rinsed between the hands, rinsed with ultramarine blue, and dried without using an iron.

Mod stains may be sponged from white cloth when it is inconvenient to wash the whole suit, with a little ammonia and soapy water.

When cooking cauliflower, cabbage or such savory vegetables never put a lid on the pan. This causes as though really you would want all the odor to go through the house, but, on the contrary, it so blends with the air that it is hardly noticeable, while if the lid is kept on the pan it will have to be removed several times while the contents are cooking, and then the concentrated steam will pervade the whole premises and be extremely disagreeable.

ELABORATE PLANS FOR COUNTY FAIR

The Attractions This Year Will Be More Extensive Than Heretofore

No event in Delaware in the past 10 years has been looked forward to with quite so much real interest as the approaching New Castle County Fair, to be held at the Gentlemen's Driving Park, Wilmington, on August 31st, September 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The desire of the management throughout the year 1909, or in fact since the close of the 1908 fair, has been to make this fair "bigger and better" in every way.

The races are under the capable direction of H. T. Wallace, who has successfully managed a number of race meetings in the past few seasons. The racing each day will be for good purses, \$300 each on Tuesday and Friday and two \$300 purses and one \$500 purse on Wednesday and Thursday. The executive committee hopes to increase the seating capacity of the grand stand, and visitors to the race track will be provided with comfortable quarters.

The farm machinery department is rapidly filling up with exhibitors, who realize the value of the opportunity to show their machinery to a number of interested parties, who cannot be reached otherwise. Machinery will be shown here this year that has never been shown in this vicinity before. This department alone will be well worth the price of admission to the grounds.

The women's department is to be housed in two tents, the needlework in one and the poultry in another. In this way the attraction to the fair will be increased to one place and exhibitors of needlework need not hesitate to send their exhibits, the objection to flies will be reduced to a minimum.

The State Blind Commission has arranged to have an exhibit of work done by the blind and to have on sale baskets, brooms and whisks, and to take orders for chair caning. The commission recently opened an exchange on Delaware avenue, and a teacher of the blind is in charge, giving lessons and assisting, wherever she can, the blind to make themselves self-supporting. The people in the State will have an opportunity at the fair to see the result of this State appropriation and the good work done by the commission.

One friend has sent a number of articles to be sold, the entire proceeds from this sale to go to the commission. The management would be glad if some more of the blind of the State who can afford to contribute to this sale would do so. These contributions will go to the work, and the desire of the teacher in charge is to make the institution as nearly self-supporting as possible. One or two rest rooms will be open to the visitors and the management has arranged a large number of seats on the grounds so that people may sit down and rest while waiting for their friends.

The bench show, licensed by the American Kennel Club, will be an attractive feature of the fair for Wednesday and Thursday. No extra admission will be charged to this department, as is the case in some other fairs, and judging from correspondence on this subject and applications for entry blanks, this show will exceed all previous attempts of the dog fanciers of the State. A number of well-known local dogs will be shown, including those of the Broughton Kennels, Sir Roger, the property of Davis Jones, and two imported French dogs, a bull terrier and poodle, the property of Mrs. Alfred L. DuPont. The latter are not to be entered for competition, but only for display. They are regarded as the handsomest specimens of their breed in the United States and the management greatly appreciates Mrs. DuPont's consent to show these dogs.

There is a movement on foot to have some special competition by the five companies of Wilmington to show their Dalmatian dogs. The five companies own a number of very good specimens of this breed and there is no doubt that they would make an attractive showing at the fair. Premium lists for this department will be ready for distribution August 10th. Entry blanks and information may be had by applying at the secretary's office.

The showing of the Delaware College Experimental Station of specimens of agronomy and animal husbandry will be very interesting. Prof. Hayward and his co-workers having given an unusual amount of care and thought to this exhibit.

The corn growing contest for the juvenile corn growers of this State, under the direction of Prof. Grantham, will be another interesting feature. Many exhibitors have already been sent their identification tags and admission tickets. This contest is a very large exhibit and an interest among the boys of the State, which is very encouraging and which will add to the winter show to be held in Dover. This is under the direction of Prof. Grantham and will be of interest to grown-ups as well as the children. It has been suggested that an exhibit of weeds be made and an effort made to instruct the exhibitors in the ways and means of eradicating them. Prof. Cook will be on the ground each day and will be very glad to give advice and helpful suggestions to all who come to him with inquiries regarding weeds. The management realizes that this is a broad subject and in another year hopes to make not only a large exhibit, but give valuable assistance on this subject.

The merchants' midway in the fair will be larger than ever. Wilmington merchants and a number from other cities have already contracted for space and this together with the amusement midway, will afford plenty of amusement and entertainment to all those who are not in the fair from an educational standpoint.

Entries in the live stock department will close on August 14th, all other departments on the 21st. Prospective exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as early as possible, in order that these may be properly recorded and the necessary tags issued therefor.

The secretary's office this year, is located on the second floor of No. 1 West

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Fifth street, and is open through the entire day, and the secretary will be glad to answer all inquiries concerning exhibits and programs for each day, that are addressed to him there.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

To keep flies from horses, take two or three small handfuls of green waltz leaves; upon which pour two or three quarts of soft, cold water; let it stand one night, and pour the whole next morning into a kettle, and let it boil for fifteen minutes. When cold, it will be fit for use. No more is required than to wet a sponge and before a horse goes out of the stable, let those parts which are most irritated be smeared over with the liquid.

The census report cannot give the real value of sheep. Outside of the value of sheep as producers of meat and wool, there is a benefit conferred by them to land. Pastures occupied by sheep become richer every year, and bushes, weeds and briars, which so rapidly grow where they are not desired, are kept down by sheep and their places occupied by grass. The poorest kind of land, if given up to sheep, even if it is necessary to allow feed to them, will be made productive in a few years.

Fruit growers are generally interested in the National Apple Exposition, which is to be held in Denver next December. Clinton Oliver, secretary of the Colorado State Horticultural Society, is making the preliminary arrangements. He says the Denver Chamber of Commerce is endorsing the plan, and that premiums amounting to about \$25,000 will be offered.

Some hog men are claiming that the reason underlying the lower complaints as to diseases among swine during the year is the higher price of corn, which has caused feeders to use other feeds, consequently a ration of better balance. Where corn is cheap there is a constant temptation to feed it in excess of the real needs of the hog. From present indications of permanent high prices for this cereal it may be reasoned that diseases in hogs from this cause will not be so prevalent.

It is advisable not to pasture the second growth clover, but allow it to blossom and seed. Should it not be desired to cut it for seed, it may be pastured or turned under after the seed has formed. In this way the land will become re-seeded at little or no expense. Clover seed turned under will remain viable down in the soil for several years and sprout and grow when again turned up to the surface.

Buttermilk is a nutritious and wholesome food, or drink, and it is well known by a great many people. There is a good sale for it in all towns and cities of any size. The quality of buttermilk, like all other foods, is determined by the way it is prepared. To secure the most wholesome product, keep the milk as pure and clean as possible, use the most pure water obtainable and practice absolutely clean methods in churning. It should be held at a low temperature in order to have it fresh for any great length of time.

Hard soap rubbed into the wounds made on trees by borers or otherwise is said to be an effective remedy.

Some of the best work on the farm is done in leisure time. Some of the poorest work is done by trying to work too much.

Don't get too busy to empty and refill drinking vessels with fresh water. A drink out of the northeast corner of the well on a hot day tastes as good to the hens as it does to the human family.

Cultivation of the soil is not merely done to kill weeds, but it is a moisture conservator; it makes the soil more porous, so that the plant roots more easily penetrate in search of plant food.

Set a good solid stake at the end of every row of strawberries, giving in plain letters the name of the kind in that row. But don't have the stakes so high that they will be knocked over by the whiffles when you are cultivating.

Using as a theory that an egg decomposes owing to the entrance of bacteria through the shells, an English firm has adopted a method of preserving eggs by first disinfecting them and then immersing them in a vessel of hot paraffine in a vacuum. The air in the shell is extracted by a vacuum and atmospheric pressure is then allowed to enter the vessel, and the hot wax is pressed into the pores of the shell, which thus hermetically seals it. Evaporation of the contents of the egg, which has a harmful effect, is thereby prevented, and the egg is practically sterile. The yolk of pickled eggs and others artificially preserved will frequently break on being poached, but the eggs preserved by this novel process, it is stated, are quite free from such fault.

The proper feeding of poultry is a science, and one that not only affords pleasure in its investigation, but profit in its mastery.

As the mineral portion of most feeding stuffs, and is used largely in making bones, egg shells, etc.

In seasoning mash a teaspoonful of salt added to a quart of mash is about the right proportion. On very cold days a little pepper acts as a tonic, but it should not be given every day.

When an egg is broken on the nest it is usually believed that it will not hatch, but we find the cracked shell can be patched up by taking a piece of shell from another egg and pressing it firmly over the cracked part of the broken egg. In this way it sometimes happens that very valuable eggs may be saved and hatched as if nothing had happened.

As a preventive against hens flying over a fence, take a strand of smooth wire six inches from the top of the fence, and parallel to it. A hen always alights on the top of a fence before going over, and endeavoring to fly to the top will strike the inside wire and be prevented from passing.

THE GUINEA PIG

AND WHY HE HAS NO TAIL

Long, long ago, so says an ancient tale, No animal on earth possessed a tail. And there was not a one who knew a way To break the tedious blessing from his thigh. One morning Jupiter from his high throne Beheld a herd of elephants all shorn— Into a panic by a wicked flea, A mighty hippopotamus next did flee, The bug then turned his energy to cow A lion, then a camel, then a cow. Great Jove with pity cried, "Let all beasts march."

To my great grove the twentieth of March And on that day will tails be given out, A thing no stylish beast can do without. Upon the day of this convenient present The animals all hurried to be present; All but the guinea pig, who'd found a cunning turnip.

And said, "I hardly think that I can turn up," But added, "If those tails are long And seem real handy, please bring them along. With you," said Jove, "That serves no tail." Nor got he any. And so ended the turning.

THERE'S NO "HEAT" LIGHTNING

All sorts of popular fallacies about lightning, and spread until the matters of common belief. One about so-called "heat-lightning," for example, the broad gleam appearing just above the western horizon at a warm evening. We see a flash, but there is no accompaniment, and the absence of given rise to the notion that "heat-lightning," for if it were a lightning flash, it would be thunder, of course.

As a matter of fact, there is no heat lightning, as that term is generally used. This display referred to always takes place when the weather is warm, but it is only because warm weather produces thunder storms. The so-called heat lightning is merely the lightning of a distant storm. We do not hear the thunder because the storm is too far away for the sound to reach us. This term of heat lightning is merely a corruption of the legitimate term sheet lightning.

CURES FOR SLEEPLESSNESS

In nearly all hospitals where there are patients in an excitable condition who cannot sleep and where it would be injurious to give narcotics, the following method is adopted. A hot water bottle is covered with flannel and placed at the feet. A thin tissue bag of thinnest silk rubber is partially filled with cold water and placed to the base of the brain. This is about ten inches long and six inches wide, as soft as silk only half filled with cold water, so it does not feel bulky back of the head. If many cases the patient goes to sleep within a few minutes, because this draws the blood from the entire brain, which is one cause of insomnia. When the patient is extremely nervous, a cracker spread with butter and sprinkled slightly with cayenne pepper is eaten. This heats the stomach. The stocking wound around the neck, not too close, yet rather snug is an old method, for it does not retard the flow of blood from the head to the arteries, but it does retard the flow to the head, just as the cold water assists. All these methods are simple, effective and harmless.

SUN FRANKS

The sun is generally looked upon as a model of regularity which never fails in its duty, but the ancient historians mention several instances when it failed to give forth its usual amount of heat and light for periods varying from three hours to several months. Data on the subject have been compiled by the St. Louis Republic.

According to Plutarch, the year 44 B. C. was one in which the sun was "weak and pale" for a period approximating eleven months.

The Portuguese historians record several months of diminished sunlight in the year 934 A. D., and, according to Humboldt, this uncanny period ended with "strange and startling" phenomena, such as loud atmospheric explosions, rills in the vaulted canopy of blue above and in divers other rare and unaccountable freaks.

In the year 1091, on September 29th (see Humboldt's "Cosmos"), the sun turned suddenly black and remained so for three hours and did not regain its normal condition for several days.

According to the noted Helms's "Solar Energy," the days of seeming inactivity on the part of the sun (the days following the sudden blackening of the great orb) were noted for a peculiar greenish tinge and are marked in old Spanish, French and Italian records as "the days of the green sun."

February, 1108 A. D., is noted in the annals of marvelous phenomena as a month in which there were several days that "the sun appeared dead and black, like a great circular cinder floating in the sky."

"On the last day of February, 1206," says an old Spanish writer on astronomy, "a strange and kindred subject, 'the sun appeared suddenly to go out, causing a darkness over the country for about six hours.'" In 1341 the European countries experienced another sleep of supernatural darkness, which the superstitious writers of that time attributed to God's displeasure over the result of the great battle of Klegitz.

Even to-day there are certain irregularities of the sun that science cannot altogether account for. These are the so-called sun spots—enormous dark spots which appear from time to time on the solar disk, and which are supposed to have great influence on the atmospheric conditions of the earth. Science has long studied these phenomena, but their exact nor periodic nature has not been determined.

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PORT RATES

The Wilmington Evening Journal pertinently remarks: "The State Board of Agriculture could render no better service than to consider the question of freight rates on the products of the farmers of the State. Perhaps the board in conjunction with representatives of the farmers' societies can bring about concessions from the railroad company which will do away with frequent complaints. Certainly it would be to the advantage of the railroad company to work in harmony with farmers in this respect."

Complaint of freight rates of Delaware farmers is standing. The objection has always been heard that our farmers are not getting into the production of vegetables. It is that freight rates are a considerable part of the question. The admirably adapted production of vegetables has been greater in than ever before. The question of freight has been adjusted there progress in truck

JURORS FOR OYER AND TERMNER

Jury Commissioners Cooch and Scott have drawn the following jury to serve during the first two weeks of the September term of the Court of Oyer and Termner commencing September 27th.
First District—George W. Green, Robert Simms.
Second—James W. Agnew, William Lea.
Third—John P. Hyatt, William H. Bowers.
Fourth—Charles B. Dougherty, Charles N. Bower.
Fifth—George H. McGovern, Charles P. Bonney.
Sixth—Leonard Bucher, Elmer T. Byr.
Seventh—Levi C. Ruth, Samuel J. Blair.
Eighth—Irvin Ball, John A. Hopkins.
Ninth—William H. Steel.
Tenth—John Moody, Edward Burris.
Eleventh—Caleb N. Price.
Twelfth—J. A. Amos Collins.
Thirteenth—Z. Taylor Atherly.
Fourteenth—George H. Records.
Sheriff Lippincott some days ago issued the precept for holding this court. The September courts are expected to have enough business to lap into the November term.

DESIGNING NEW STATE HOUSE

Governor Pennell, former Governor Preston Lea, Senators Monaghan and Corbit, Representatives Lafferty, Townsend and Cooper (Speakers), and State Senator A. B. Conner, one of the active leaders in the enterprise constituting the capital building commission, met at Dover Tuesday. The commission engaged an architect as adviser and professional counsel for the commission in the matter of reviewing the competitive drawings about to be submitted. The preliminary drawings were to have been submitted on August 26, but, in order to get all the Delaware architects interested who would like to compete for the honor of designing the building, the date for the final submission of the plans may be deferred. The commission will get possession of the State residence and office building known as the Jump property, the proposed site of the new building, on September 1, and the commission may proceed at once to raise the old building.

SHOT ON EXCURSION

The fourth murder in Cecil county within the past two months was committed on Fredericktown Saturday night. The victim was a negro named Clarence Rhodes, aged 29 years, and Eugene Emerson, colored, is accused of the crime. The affair occurred on an excursion. It is alleged that Rhodes became too intimate with Emerson's sweetheart and some ugly words followed, whereupon Emerson ripped out a revolver and shot three times, two of the balls entering Rhodes' body.
The wounded man was taken to the Union Hospital, Elkton, Sunday morning, where he died that afternoon. Emerson surrendered himself Sunday evening, after fleeing to Baltimore.

REVIEW OF LEGISLATURE

In another fortnight the Delaware Legislature will be all about for Bethany Beach. The legislative session committee met at Dover on Tuesday and decided to take off two days, Thursday and Friday, August 26th and 27th, and go to Senator Drexler's resort known as Bethany Beach, on the Atlantic Ocean and the Delaware map. The decision is made, however, altogether with the provision that this shall meet the favor of the State Senator, who is to be communicated with at once. If these dates should be decided on, it is probable that the Legislature will go by railway train to Millboro and then board a vessel for a sail down Indian river to Bethany Beach.

LETTER TO M. G. LOCKWOOD

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TOWNSEND

Miss Laura Huxwell is spending some time in Easton.
William Hart Scott is spending this week in Atlantic City.
Miss Ethelwyn J. Maloney is spending some time at Atlantic City.
Miss Mable Foxwell, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mrs. Fred Ginn.
Miss Myrtle Townsend is visiting relatives in Delaware City this week.
Miss Mildred Ginn spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Rena Knote, in Cheswold.
Miss Julia Wells has returned from a very enjoyable visit with relatives in Baltimore.
Mr. W. D. DeVosinger is entertaining his son, Raymond DeVosinger, of Wilmington, this week.
Mrs. Mary Palmer and daughter, Miss Myrtle, are visiting her parents, Robert Beardsley and family.
Miss Ella Maloney and cousin, Miss Elizabeth Dorman, spent last week with relatives in Wilmington.
Mrs. Joseph C. Hutchinson and daughter Marian are spending some time with her brother, William Hutchinson, at his home in Carlisle, Pa.

WARWICK

Mr. William Lehard spent Sunday at his home here.
Mrs. Wilson Merritt was at Ocean City one day last week.
Miss S. Ethel Vinard was in Wilmington on Saturday last.
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Sr., are visiting relatives in Reading, Pa.
Mr. Ecolston Marsh is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Eaton.
Rev. C. M. Oulm and family are visiting relatives in Washington, D. C.
Miss Ella Staats has returned home, after a visit with relatives near Massey.
Mrs. Mary A. Lofland is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Stephens.
Mrs. H. B. McDowell is entertaining her daughter and friend, of Philadelphia.
Miss Katherine Evans, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mrs. J. R. H. Price, near Wm.
Mr. and Mrs. William Vinard spent Sunday with her brother, Mr. John Manlove, at Cecilton.
A number of young folks were entertained at the home of Mrs. J. L. Lattimore, Saturday evening, in honor of her husband's birthday. Quite an enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

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BURSTAN'S POPULAR CORNER STORE
OUR ANNUAL AUGUST Clearance Sale!
On SATURDAY, AUGUST 14th, our annual August Clearance Sale will begin and continue until September 1st. At this sale all our Summer Stock will be sold at, and below, cost. We advise you to come early before the best bargains are gone.
Clearance Bargains in Ladies' Goods
Ladies' \$1.00 white lawn waists \$.59
" \$1.25 and \$1.50 waists79
" \$3.50 fine linen suits 2.25
" \$1.00 white linen shirts69
" \$3.50 and \$4.50 princess dresses 1.98
" \$2.00 petticoats 1.50
" \$1.25 petticoats98
" 96c petticoats50
" 15c gauze shirts09
" 10c gauze shirts05
Many other bargains in ladies' goods to be seen at our store, all at less than cost.
Boys' and Men's Clothing at Cost
Men's \$10 and \$12 all-wool suits \$8.00
" \$8 Suits 5.50
Youths' \$6, \$7 and \$8 suits 5.00
Boys' knickerbocker suits, sizes 8 to 16, \$6 suits 4.00
" \$4 suits 2.50
" \$2.50 suits 1.98
" \$1.00 and \$1.25 knickerbocker pants75
Men's trousers that were \$1.50 to \$4.00, at \$.75 to \$2.00
" \$1.00 and \$1.25 Washable coat shirts75
" 50c and 75c fine quality shirts, 35c each; 3 for \$1.00
" 50c auto-grub belts25
" 50c overalls35
" 50c workshirts35
All Oxfords at Cost
Ladies' \$1.75 and \$2.00 oxfords in tan and black \$1.25
Misses' and children's \$1.25 and \$1.50 russet oxfords85
Men's \$3.00 and \$3.50 russet, patent colt and vic oxfords in button and lace 2.00
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SPECIAL EXCURSIONS
TO
OCEAN CITY, MD. REHOBOTH, DEL.
Thursday, August 19, 1909
ROUND-TRIP RATE, \$1.25 FROM MIDDLETOWN SPECIAL TRAIN
Will leave 7.15 A. M. RETURNING leave Ocean City 4.40 P. M.
Thursday, August 26, 1909
ROUND-TRIP RATE, \$1.25 FROM MIDDLETOWN SPECIAL TRAIN
Will leave 7.15 A. M. RETURNING leave Rehoboth 5.40 P. M.
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Pennsylvania Railroad
Round \$2.00 Trip TO
Atlantic City
August 24th, 1909
SPECIAL TRAIN
Leaves Middletown 6.44 A. M.
RETURNING
Leaves Atlantic City, Georgia Avenue, 5.45 P. M.
TICKETS GOOD ONLY ON SPECIAL TRAIN IN EACH DIRECTION
For Rates of Fare and Time of Train at Other Stations, Consult Handbills or Ticket Agents.
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NOTICE!
I, CALVIN P. STIDHAM, tenant of the house known as the Stidham House, situated at Ocean, in School District No. 6, county of New Castle and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the acts of the General Assembly, in such cases made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of General Sessions of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle County, on MONDAY, the 20th day of September A. D. 1909, being the next term of said court, for a license for said house as an inn or tavern for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors in quantities less than one quart, to be drunk on the premises, and the following respectable citizens of said School District, at least six of whom are substantial freeholders of said School District, recommend the said application, viz:
A. A. Spicer, W. E. Tucker, Thomas A. Pierce, E. J. Penington, Charles Kromminger, Harry Wiest, John M. Gremmlinger, Malcolm Croft, Harry E. Wilson, John F. Morris, Andrew Wiest, John Wiest, C. E. Stidham, W. H. Isaacs, S. P. Sylvester.
CALVIN P. STIDHAM.
Ocean, Del. Aug. 7th, 1909.

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

St. Georges Hundred!

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at
HARRY'S HOTEL, IN ODDS, WEDNESDAY, AUG. 18th, 1909 From 1 to 4 P. M.
AT HARRY'S HOTEL, IN PORT PENN, WEDNESDAY, AUG. 25th, 1909 From 1 P. M. to 4 P. M.
and at my residence, North Broad street, Middletown, Del., every Saturday, afternoon from 1 P. M. to 4 P. M.
Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.
EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 31, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED.
Section 3.—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.
JOHN W. DENNY, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

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See for yourself
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When shopping, give us a call, and make comparisons. We don't fear the result. We deem it a pleasure to show our goods. We are proud of them.
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You are going to have done this Summer?
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The Middletown Transcript

Middleton Close as Follows.
Going North—7:30 a. m., 10:45 a. m., 4:45 p. m., 8:00 p. m., and 9 p. m.
Going South—8:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For details—7:30 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:45 p. m., and 9 p. m.
P. M. Warrick, Cession and Barville, 8:30 a. m., and 4:45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., AUG. 14, 1909

Local News

300 pair of ladies' black stockings, sizes 8 to 10, regular price 15c. During sale 10c. A. FOGEL.

If your stock is bothered with flies, try Eureka Fly Killer, with which we can supply you.

MIDDLETOWN PARKS.
After June first, the Library hours will be: Tuesday, 7 to 8:30; Friday, 7 to 8:30 and Saturday 3 to 5 P. M.

Dr. J. C. Stiles has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Stephens' office.

Now is the time to have your teeth attended to. Don't wait for hot weather. Dr. Johnson will give you up-to-date service. Fresh gas daily.

Don't miss the bargain in our muslin underwear sale. It means dollars in your pocket.

Send your items and personal notices into the paper, that is the way to help make it interesting. Just sign your name, we won't publish it, and then the article will be sure of getting in.

If you want Ice Cream for a Picnic, don't forget that we furnish sundae and souvenir spoons free with orders of 5 gallons or over. MIDDLETOWN FARMS.

Word has been received here that the Postoffice Department at Washington has issued an order changing the name of the "Rural Free Delivery" to "Rural Delivery." It will be known hereafter as "R. D." instead of "R. F. D."

Monday was perhaps the hottest day that the citizens of Middletown have experienced this year. The average temperature throughout the city was about 95, while in a number of places the thermometer registered 97, 98 and 99.

The farmers of Bohemia Manor will hold an all-day picnic on the farm of Mr. E. O. Speer, at Bohemia Bridge, August 19. An orchestra will be in attendance, and dancing will begin at 8 o'clock and continue during the evening. All are cordially invited to attend.

We have in STORAGE several hundred tons of HIGH GRADE LEHIGH and BITUMINOUS COAL. You don't have to place your order before-hand as it is ALWAYS IN STOCK. We have just added to our yard a nice lot of SAWED WOOD. Phone 5. JAMES L. SHERKID.

We are adding new bargains every day during our August Clearance Sale.

The special excursion train that will carry our people to Easton Fair August 26th and 27th will arrive at the grounds at 11 o'clock and will not return until 6 o'clock, P. M., giving our people a full half day there. Meals served on the grounds, only 50c each. Nearly \$4000 paid in Race Purse.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post office for the week ending August 5th: Miss Myrtle Krier (2), Jamaica Dremming, Mr. Andrew Kilpatrick, Mr. Charlie Plater, Mr. Albert Pinkett, Mr. Frank Shippe.

"Gen'l Mack" and "Dry Dock," the two horses that attracted 12 thousand people at Salisbury, Md., are expected to start at Easton Fair, August 26th. Everybody come and see them. The Fair Association has added a free-for-all race, purse \$300, to take the place of the Consolation Race. Horseman tell our friends about this.

Read our advertisement in this paper, it will get you acquainted with our store and save you money. A. FOGEL.

The new steamer "Clio" is nearing completion, and will arrive at her wharf in Ocean some day next week, and will begin her weekly trips immediately. This will be gratifying news to those who in years past patronized the old boat, and have been waiting patiently for several months for the new boat to arrive.

Potato bugs were never known to be so plentiful as at the present time. The streets and sidewalks are literally covered with the pests in various sections of the town, and our potato growers are having trouble of their own. A law should be enacted compelling every potato-grower in the land to make a special effort to exterminate the bugs. Use Paris green when the vines begin to die, and your "bug" will not bother your neighbor's garden.

The annual re-union of old Union M. E. Church, near Townsend, will be held on Sunday, September 5th. The Rev. D. C. Ridgeway, D. D., will preach at 10:30 A. M., and Judge Henry C. Conrad will deliver an address at 2:30 P. M. These re-unions are growing in favor each year, and many people who have relatives buried in the cemetery adjoining the church, attend the annual gatherings at the church, and the grounds and buildings are kept in good condition.

How about your stock of envelopes, letter heads, shipping tags, statements, business cards, order blanks, receipt books, due bills, circulars, postal cards and special blanks required in your business? If you have need for any of these, why not send your order to THE TRANSCRIPT office where it will receive prompt and careful attention, and where the work is guaranteed to give satisfaction. Estimates cheerfully furnished. Let us hear from you.

Thursday's Philadelphia Inquirer in its report of the races at Belmont track on Wednesday, speaks highly of two local horses: "Minnie Code," a bay mare, driven by Powell Peacock, took the 2:23 class in straight heats with ease. The 2:16 class had twelve starters and was decided at the end of the fourth heat on account of the sunset rule. "Prince March," a black stallion, driven by the veteran Willard B. Biggs, had all kinds of speed in the first heat and made a new record of 2:23, with Thomas Cunningham's trotter, Pelagon, leaped. "Prince March," 2:18, is the property of Mr. C. M. Cochran, and his owner and all local owners were delighted with his great showing and his new record. "Minnie Code," is owned by Mr. Ish Shaw, of near Summit Bridge, and is one of the many promising youngsters being trained by Mr. Peacock this season.

All our \$5 and \$6 Coat Suits reduced during sale to \$2.50.

Miss Hester E. Willey, who was assistant principal of the Middletown High School during the last term, has resigned, and accepted a position at Lansdowne, Pa. This will necessitate the election of a successor to Miss Willey, and the School Board will probably hold a special meeting the first of the week to select an assistant to Miss Howell.

Everybody will have an opportunity to attend the Easton Fair this year as the Pennsylvania Railroad will run two special excursion trains to the Fair on Wednesday and Thursday, August 25th and 26th, (see hand bills at your station for full details). This is to be the best fair ever held at Easton. Many fast race horses will be there. Tell all your friends about it and be sure and go.

We are in receipt of a post card from our young townsman, Mr. James B. Lockwood, which was written in Messina, Italy, on July 31st. Mr. Lockwood is making a six months' cruise on the U. S. transport "Itasca," and sailed on July 6th. Among other things of interest, the writer informs us there are yet under the ruins of that unfortunate city, 40,000 bodies, which the authorities dare not move for fear of the plague. Also that an American is a privileged character with the remaining population owing to the fact that he loaned so much assistance after the earthquake.

"Major Reed," the family driving horse of Mr. E. R. Marker, was killed at St. Annes Crossing, one mile South of town, Thursday evening, by the passenger train arriving at this place at 7:40 o'clock. The horse which had been driven by Mr. Marker's children for several years, was coming from the pasture field to the house at the time the accident occurred, and while eight horses were with him, they all got over the track ahead of the train. The carcass was found about 100 yards South of the crossing, and was badly mangled. Mr. Marker is greatly distressed over his loss, as the dead animal was the only one he owned that was safe for his wife and children to drive.

WILL SPEND \$2500

Bethesda M. E. Church Will Be Greatly Improved

At a meeting of the Official Board of Bethesda M. E. Church on Friday evening of last week, the committee on church repairs, recommended to the Board that \$2500 be expended on necessary improvements to the interior and exterior of the church. The Board accepted the committee report, and the pastor, Rev. Y. S. Collins appointed the following building committee: Messrs. M. B. Burris, G. E. Hunkill, J. C. Parker, P. L. McWhorter and George F. Wilson.

The committee will receive bids for all contemplated improvements, and the work will be started at the earliest possible date.

The improvement to the exterior will consist of a new roof, concrete pavement and coping, with an iron fence placed on top of the coping, painting the wood work and a large hitching shed to be erected on the church lawn. The auditorium will be newly frescoed and the woodwork painted; a new carpet will replace the one now in use, while many changes will be made in the location of lights, and the heater will be repaired. When these improvements are all completed, the Church will have received what it has long needed, and the congregation and pastor should be encouraged in their efforts to improve and brighten their place of worship.

SLAYER LEAPED FROM TRAIN

YONK, Pa., Aug. 12th.—Rising almost certain death, but with a desperate chance for liberty, Scott Johnson, 23 years old, a confessed murderer whom Sheriff H. G. Hager, of Cecil county, Maryland, had brought 3000 miles from Santa Rosa, California, leaped from a fast express train passing through here at 8 o'clock this morning and escaped. He is still at large to-night, although city and county are being scourged by officers, and the police of many other towns have been notified. Sheriff Hager, who had watched the prisoner almost day and night on the long journey, relaxed his vigilance for but a moment on what was to have been the last day of his trip, and at that moment Johnson gave him the slip.

Played the Innocent Game
Johnson, a slow-speaking and quiet-mannered youth, had won the confidence of the Sheriff on his trip East. Whenever possible stops were made over night at towns, where the prisoner was placed in the local jail and his captor obtained much-needed rest at a hotel. When it was necessary to spend the night upon the train Johnson slept in his shackles. Occasionally he was permitted slight liberties, and when, after a day's journey of the law, the youth, after leaving York this morning, asked the officer to remove his leg shackles, Hager saw no reason for refusing. In a short time Johnson came from the washroom and requested that his hand-cuffs also be removed that he might enter the toilet-room.

Hager complied and was busy himself about his own toilet a few minutes later when the small boy came to him with the information that his man had come from the rear platform and jumped from the train. Unable to get the train stopped, the Sheriff dashed off a message to inform York county officer of the escape. This message was thrown from the train at Hanover Junction; but another delay was experienced when the railroad agent there refused to send it to York over the company's wire. So Hager himself reached here, some long time after his prisoner's escape, with the first news of the affair.

PROGRESS IN CUBA

With the beginning of the present fiscal year the Republic of Cuba established a Bureau of Information, President Gomez appointing Leon J. Canova, an American newspaper man, who has resided in Cuba eleven years and has a wide acquaintance with the island, as its director. Parties wishing information of any nature concerning Cuba can obtain same, free of charge, by writing to Leon J. Canova, U. S. and I. Bureau, (Utility and Information Bureau,) Department of Agriculture, Commerce and Labor, Havana, Cuba.

PERSONALITIES.

Mr. William Brady is sojourning at Rehoboth.

Mr. Charles Tonkin spent Tuesday at Atlantic City.

Mr. Warner Taylor spent this week at Atlantic City.

Mrs. D. P. Keith is spending a few days at Ocean City, Md.

Mr. Elwood Banning spent this week at Bayville, this State.

Mr. Thomas Cochran is visiting relatives in New York City.

Miss Mary Hutchins has returned home, after a visit with Odessa friends.

Miss Sallie Higgins, of Elwyn, Pa., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Rosa Evans.

Dr. J. C. Stiles will leave to-day for Rehoboth, where he will spend a week.

Miss Lottie J. Jolls is spending some time with friends at Bayville, this State.

Mrs. James McColgan is visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Carey, near Glasgow.

Mrs. Frank Davis and children visited her parents in Odessa during the past week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Vaughan spent several days last week with their relatives in Milton.

Miss Fannie Whitesell, of Wilmington, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Minner.

Mr. Andrew E. Crow, of Wilmington, spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Emerson.

Roth Stavelly, of Chester, Md., is a visitor at the home of his aunt, Mrs. B. Ford.

Mrs. C. A. Ritchie and children have returned home, after a brief visit in Philadelphia.

Mrs. A. M. Chamberlaine and Miss Mary Pleasanton were in Wilmington this week.

Messrs. Barnard Dougherty and Edgar Tassell, of Wilmington, were in town on Thursday.

Mrs. N. J. Williams returned on Tuesday, after a pleasant sojourn at Wildwood, N. J.

Miss Lillian Solway, of Wilmington, spent Sunday and Monday with Miss May Kumpel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Beck returned Wednesday, after a week's sojourn at Betterton, Md.

Mr. Max Cohen returned Tuesday, after spending ten days in New York and Massachusetts.

Mrs. Julian Cochran is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Harrington, in Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman P. Crouch, of Wilmington, are spending several days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker have returned from Atlantic City, where they spent two weeks.

Mr. Wilson Bryan, of Wilmington, spent several days this week with Mr. Fred Davis and family.

Misses Mary Nowland and Ethel Brady are sojourning at Doubting Gap, Alleghany Mountains.

Mrs. Amanda Williams, of Wilmington, is visiting her son, Mr. Elwood Williams and wife, near Port Penn.

Mr. Joseph P. Comery, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Comery.

Mrs. Clara P. Yohere and Mrs. Annie C. Truss, of Philadelphia, are guests of Mr. A. G. Cox and family.

Mr. Herman Wilson, of Philadelphia, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilson.

Mrs. M. Day, Mrs. Frederick Brady and children have returned home, after three weeks at Atlantic City.

Mr. Grandon C. Reed and friend, L. V. Gilpin, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. E. R. Marker.

Mrs. M. F. Wilson and daughter, Miss Sallie, of New Brunswick, N. J., are guests of Mr. S. Edward Lewis and family.

Mrs. John M. Naudain and daughter, Miss Helen, of Baltimore, Md., are visiting her mother, Mrs. S. E. Houston.

Miss Maddie Tatum, who has been in Wilmington for sometime, is now at the home of her father, Mr. Cyrus Tatum.

Miss Bessie Foraker and guest, Miss Nancy Pichard, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Pocomoke City, Md., friends.

Mrs. W. F. Dunn and daughter Margaret, of Smyrna, spent part of this week with her sister, Mrs. Alexander Metten.

Misses Elizabeth Holten and May Kumpel spent several days this week in Wilmington, Philadelphia and West Point, N. Y.

Miss Lella Chandler returned to her home in Wilmington Wednesday, after an extended visit with her cousins, the Misses Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dance and daughter, of Philadelphia, spent several days the first of the week with her aunt, Mrs. J. R. Brown.

The many friends of Justice of the Peace Alfred G. Cox will be glad to know he is sufficiently recovered as to be on our streets again.

Rev. and Mrs. G. F. Jones and daughter Martha, of Salisbury, Md., spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Emerson.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Walter Green, of Chester, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Vant, of Wilmington, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Green.

Mrs. C. D. Price and daughter, of Centerville, Md., and Mrs. Rebecca Keith and daughter, of Dover, visited Mrs. D. P. Keith this week.

Messrs. G. C. Allen, H. S. Beaton, J. P. McIntyre and J. E. Ginn were Betterton, Md., visitors on Friday, making the trip in Mr. Allen's automobile.

Captain W. E. Lee, who has been critically ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, is now recovering, and his many friends will be glad to learn of his improved condition.

Mr. Thomas E. Hurn, who has been confined to his home for several weeks, has recovered sufficiently as to be on our streets again, and was receiving the glad hand of his numerous friends on Wednesday.

Dr. J. Allen Johnson, with his wife and children, accompanied by Mrs. O. V. Jaquith, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Miss Margaret L. Johnson, of Altoona, Pa., will spend the coming week at Betterton, Md., returning on the 20th inst.

FIRE SWEEPS THROUGH MILTON

The Entire Business Section of Sussex Town in Ruins

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$100,000

MILTON, Del., August 13.—The entire business portion of this town of twelve hundred persons was destroyed by a conflagration which raged between 1 and 5 o'clock this morning. Before any concerted effort could be made to stay the flames, the fire had gained such headway that no more could be done than to confine it in a circumscribed area.

Within the two blocks destroyed were five large general merchandise stores, one national bank, the post-office, the leading hotel, two residences, two meat and provision houses, a drug store, blacksmith and wheelwright shop, two barber shops, telephone building and numerous small buildings used for the storage of merchandise.

The total loss is estimated at \$100,000. The individual losses are as follows:

Markel & Hartman, general merchandise; C. A. Conner, general merchandise; Black & Tingo, general merchandise; Carey & Darby, general merchandise; W. T. Storey, drug store; postoffice; J. R. Black, owner of building and postmaster; J. M. Walls, meat market; Maul & Stevens, agricultural implements; Mary E. Ford, confectionery; W. H. Meary, residence; J. P. Gray, residence; J. C. Clendaniels, meat and provision; S. J. Wilson, undertaker; Lewis National Bank (branch); Diamond State Telephone Building, Ponder House, three-story brick hotel, C. C. Waples Lumber Company. With the exception of the last named concerned the destruction of buildings and contents was complete, while the insurance as a total is estimated at only thirty per cent. of the entire loss.

When the fire was discovered by a watchman of the Royal Packing Company in the general merchandise store of Markel & Hartman, on the main street, it had burned through the second floor of that establishment and had attacked the roof.

He ran yelling through the deserted streets to the Powder House, and began pulling the cord to the large bell in the cupola of this three-story brick building. In a few minutes the sleeping town was aroused, and many, only half-dressed, rushed from their homes to ascertain the cause of the commotion.

It was probably a half-hour before the Volunteer Company's fire apparatus could be gotten into action, and by this time the flames had spread from the Markel & Hartman building to the Storey drug store, the Mason & Davidson general merchandise store, and the postoffice to the west. Sparks, too, were flying across the street, and violent fires were constantly breaking out in every direction.

The origin of the fire has not as yet been determined and may always remain a mystery, as neither Mr. Markel or Mr. Hartman, proprietors of the store in which it started, can give any explanation. There was no stove or lamp left burning in the store when it was closed last night, they say.

Milton is in the heart of the rich agricultural section of Sussex county and depends solely for its trade upon the prosperous farmers of the contiguous territory.

ODESSA

Miss Alice F. McCoy is visiting her sister at Glasgow, Md.

Miss Frances Aspell spent a few days last week at Rehoboth.

Mr. W. A. Hukill is spending this week with Mr. E. N. Moore.

Miss Amelia Mohlberger was a Philadelphia visitor last week.

Miss Bertha Stevens, of Medford, N. J., is visiting friends in town.

Rev. D. C. Ridgeway spent a few days last week with friends here.

Mrs. H. Heller is spending this week with relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. Richard Rhoades spent a few days with relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lightcap and son Delaware have returned home.

Mr. Alfred Stumby, of Philadelphia, spent Tuesday with friends here.

Mr. Derval Rhodes spent last week with Mr. Lee Marvel, in Townsend.

Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Smyth and son are spending sometime at Pocomoke, Mass.

Mrs. Clementine Windle is spending this week with Mr. William Taylor.

Mr. Joseph Hampton, of Baltimore, Md., spent last week with Mrs. Gilch.

Miss Miriam Hart, of Townsend, spent a few days with Miss Frances Davis this week.

Mrs. J. G. Webb has as her guest this week Miss Lydia Cotter, of Philadelphia.

Miss Ethel Ward is spending part of this week with Miss Edith Ginn, on the Levels.

Miss Myrtle Collins, of Port Penn, is spending sometime with Miss Mildred Phillips.

Misses Helen and Mary Townsend are spending this week with friends in Wilmington.

Mrs. Caroline Hahn left this week for Holly Beach, N. J., where she will spend three weeks.

Misses Addie and Eva Alfroe, of the Levels, spent last week with their sister, Mrs. H. Kumpel.

Mrs. J. Tracy and son Courtney are spending this week with her mother, Mrs. M. Gremminger.

Mrs. H. Stevens and daughters, of Philadelphia, spent a few days last week with Mrs. William Rhein.

Mr. William P. Rhein, of Philadelphia, spent a few days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rhein.

Miss Annie Gremminger, of Philadelphia, is spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. S. Gremminger.

Mr. William Elser and family, of Philadelphia, are spending sometime with his sister, Mrs. Joseph Holdmyer.

Mrs. F. B. Watkins and daughters, Frances and Rebecca, and Miss Alice Brown spent this week in Philadelphia.

Misses Anna and Florence Hosbenda, of Wilmington, are spending sometime with their sister, Mrs. E. C. McCoy, near town.

Mrs. Charles Carpenter had as her guests this week Miss Eva Franks, Miss Anna Alberici and Mr. Albert Rees, of Philadelphia.

NEED BIRDS ARE HERE

Gummers Expect That Coming Season Will Be Excellent

It will not be long before reed bird dinners will be in order, for "reedies" are arriving in large numbers, and they may be heard above us on their flights to the marshes, there to subsist upon the reeds from which they derive their names during their stay in this section.

Best birds do not fly from the South, despite the fact that some newspaper writers persist in having them come here from the Southlands. On the contrary the "reedies" start from the North. There they are songsters—bob-b-links to be more precise. About this time of the year they leave the North and start on their flight for the river and bay marshes in this and other sections, where they become reed birds.

About the time there is a decided touch of Autumn in the air the "reedies" start on another flight—this time to the rice fields of the South. There they again change their names to rice birds and incidentally do much damage to the growing rice, with the result that they are slaughtered on a much larger scale than in this section.

The season for reed bird shooting opens on September 1st, and the indications are for a good season. The birds appear to be faster than usual, and as there are plenty of reeds in the marshes along the streams in this vicinity upon which to subsist. The birds should be in good condition by the first of next month.

CECILTON

Mr. James H. Smith spent last Friday in Elkton.

Ottis Davis, of Elkton, is visiting his parents here.

Miss Lella McCoy is spending sometime at Camden, Del.

Miss A. Shockley has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Watts.

Miss Mollie McCoy spent the first of the week at Woodlawn Camp.

Mrs. Davis Taylor, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Taylor.

Miss Martha Vandegrift spent last week with Mrs. Henry Clark, near Erieview.

Miss Janie Smith has returned home, after spending three weeks with Kent Co. friends.

Master Clayton Smith, of Fredericktown is spending sometime with his grandparents here.

Misses Blanche and Ponola Van Buskirk, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. William Alderson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones, of near Mamey, were the guests of relatives near town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Boyles, of Warwick, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith on Sunday.

The annual picnic of the St. Stephen's P. E. Sunday School will be held on Thursday, August 19th, in Mr. Davis' woods.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

John Banks was a Philadelphia visitor this week.

Mr. Richard S. Wallis spent Sunday at Georgetown.

Mrs. Z. T. Cooling is the guest of Baltimore friends.

John M. Reed, Jr., is spending this week in New York.

A dance will be held at Spa Spring Pavilion Friday evening.

Carol Woolleyman is spending a few days at Atlantic City.

Miss Margaret Miller, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. John Miller.

Miss Alice Boudin, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. I. G. Griffith.

Miss Mary Barwick was the guest of Miss Elizabeth Scott on Saturday.

Miss Augusta Reed was entertained by friends at Georgetown Sunday.

Miss Elsie Oliver, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Elizabeth Cooling.

Miss Eugenia Pearce, of Germantown, is visiting Mrs. Frank Howard.

Miss Elizabeth Scott, of Elkton, was entertained by friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Woolley are enjoying a stay in the Blue Mountains.

Miss Edith Kuehls, of Philadelphia, is being entertained by Miss Margaret Jones.

Bennett Johnson, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson.

John Vinger, of New York, has been spending several days at the home of J. D. McCoy.

Misses Mary and Catherine Woods, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. Z. T. Cooling, Jr.

Miss Madeline Davis, of Philadelphia, is being entertained by Mrs. Edwin Gardner.

Mrs. T. H. Wright, Misses Carrie and Nannie Wright have been spending several days at Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Byers, Mrs. E. H. Day, Miss Genevieve and Irene Byers and Norma Day spent Saturday at Betterton.

A most enjoyable and unique party was given by Miss Susie Ford in honor of her guest, Miss Isabel Mackall, at Ford's Landing, on Monday evening of this week. When the company had all assembled they were invited down to the shore where a huge bonfire was lighted and each guest provided with a long pointed stick, upon which marshmallows were roasted, and eaten amid much merriment.

After this bonfire and music were indulged in. Among those present were Mrs. W. A. Coale, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Craycroft, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Duhamel, Mrs. L. A. Ford, Miss Kiplinger, Misses Marion Clark, Mary Clark, Lillie Fraser, Mary Folke, Isabel Mackall, Arrietta Cruikshank, Ethel Duhamel, Susie Lord; Messrs. W. T. Clark, Eben Fraser, Noble Ferguson, S. T. Skinner, Willie Coale, Thomas Cruikshank, Arthur Ford and Reginald Settlem.

CURRENT PRICES

TOM

BY W. R. ROSE

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

And he suddenly stooped and touched his lips to the white forehead, and watched her longingly as she went away with her maid.

A charming child, he murmured.

Her name should be Sunshine, said her father.

There was a brief silence. The younger man produced a cigar case.

Will you join me? he asked. The old man looked at the lady. She smiled and nodded.

I haven't smoked for many years, he said. My taste in cigars was too expensive for my purse. This is a very good cigar.

I think it will prove to be, the younger man said as he passed the light.

It takes me back a long, long way, murmured the old man presently.

The younger man looked at the lady and the lady nodded.

He turned to the old man.

Sir, he said, with your permission I want to tell a brief story. It is not a new story. I have told it to my wife, the lady nodded in confirmation, and it is possible you have heard something like it. Nevertheless, I want to tell it in my own words and in my own way.

The old man looked at him curiously.

You have my close attention, he said and stared upward at the curling smoke.

The younger man settled back in his chair.

I'm going to call this story ingratitude, he began.

The old man suddenly looked at him.

Ingratitude, he murmured. That's the subject, said the younger man, and the story begins something more than twenty years ago. It begins here in this great city, and it concerns a boy named Tom. He was a street boy, this Tom, an orphan boy who had shifted for himself since he was a youngster of eight. It was a bad schooling for the boy.

He had picked up associates who were harmful. He had no education and no ideals. It was a bad outlook. And then one day he attracted the attention of a man—a business man of kindly impulses. He offered him work.

Tom came to the man's place of business the next morning. The man set him to work. Tom didn't like work. He stayed a day or two and then ran away. The man found him and coaxed him back. Then he ran away again, and again the man coaxed him back. At last the boy settled down and stayed in the man's employ for a whole year. And the man was patient with him and taught him things he should know, and advanced him to a higher grade and better pay. Tom learned fast, but the old life still drew him, the old associates held him in their grip. He paused and looked at the old man, and saw that the old man was intently watching him. One day the man called him into his room. Tom, he said, there is money missing. And Tom nodded. I took it, he answered. And he said no more, but just stood still and waited for the police. But the man said very gently, It's your bringing up, Tom, he said. I'm afraid you don't know any better. Then Tom spoke up very quickly. Yes, I knew better, he said. It was the gang got it away from me. But I know better. Then the man came to the boy and put his hand on his shoulder, and looked in his eyes, and said quite softly, I'm glad you know better, Tom, because I'm going to let you try again. And when Tom went back to his work there were tears on his cheeks—and, somehow, he wasn't ashamed of them. Well, Tom tried very hard this time and he kept away from the gang as much as he could. But there came a day when the master faced him again. Tom, he said, there is more money missing—much more money. Tom nodded as he had nodded before. I took it, he said. I couldn't help it, sir. I know it's the pen for me this time. But the master shook his head. Where is the money? he asked. The gang got it all, Tom answered. I haven't a dime of it. And again the master shook his head. I'm not going to send you to prison, Tom, he said. That would be no use. I must get you away from the gang—that's the only hope. I'm going to send you into the far West.

id. He put the boy on

the train and gave him money and the ticket, and the last words he said were, Let me hear from you, Tom. If you don't write I will think it's because you're ashamed to write. And, Tom, don't you forget that you're going to be honest if you starve for it!

He paused and drew his breath sharply. Then he resumed the story in a lower tone.

Tom didn't forget. It was a hard struggle for him, but he won out. He drifted into Mexico, then into Central America, then down to South America. He took up mining in Peru and slowly he prospered. In Valparaiso he met a lady, and presently won her affection. But before he asked her to marry him he told her all this story and she said, Some day we will find this good man and show him what his money has accomplished. So they were married and Tom felt that he owed all his happiness to the master. And then a daughter was born and that was another debt. Instead of being the vagabond, the jail bird he would have been, Tom was a good citizen, a happy husband and a proud father. He paused again. But Tom didn't write. That was ingratitude. The master had asked Tom to write. He put it off. At first there was nothing to tell him—nothing but the story of his struggles. And then as time wore on Tom put it off, and at times quite forgot it—and that black ingratitude. Tom prospered, and a more alluring prospect called him to San Francisco. And then their child fell ill, very ill, and in the agony of his fear, Tom's conscience brought his ingratitude before him, and he promised to find his benefactor and crave his pardon. And the danger point was passed and the dear one lived.

He paused and wiped his face. And the room was very still. Then the old man spoke.

There was a boy named Tom, he slowly said. I do not think I know his other name. I feared he was dead.

His name was Harper—Tom Harper, said the younger man. He is alive and has come back to try to tell you how much he is in your debt.

And the lady arose and came to the old man swiftly and put her arm about him and softly kissed his withered cheek.

The child must have caught the gift of the fairies, he said a little brokenly, for this certainly is a beautiful dream. He suddenly arose. I must go, he said. Where are my hat and coat?

But they held him back. We are going to take you home with us, said the lady. Tom will show his gratitude in his way—I am going to show mine in my way.

But my—my business? he stammered.

Only an empty shell, laughed the younger man. It scarcely means bread and butter. Don't forget that the debt I owe you makes a neat little sum when compounded for two-and-twenty years.

The old man looked from one smiling face to the other.

I was all wrong about ingratitude, he murmured.

ON CARE OF MILK

Good undiluted milk should contain about 87 per cent. of water and 13 per cent. solids.

Milk contains bacteria of many kinds and in varying numbers. They cause the souring of milk as well as the ripening of cream and cheese, and produce many other changes in the appearance and flavor. The number present in freshly drawn milk varies enormously with the conditions of milking, and, as they are generally increased with dirty and careless handling, cleanliness in all matters pertaining to milking and marketing of milk and keeping it in the home cannot be too strongly insisted on. Disease germs, notably those of typhoid, diphtheria, scarlet fever and tuberculosis, may be carried in milk, so that the purity of the milk supply is of vital importance to every family and community.

The problem of keeping milk sweet is one checking the growth of the bacteria, and as they are inactive at a temperature below 50 degrees Fahr, milk should be kept in a cool place. Two common methods for preserving milk are pasteurization and sterilization. In the former the aim is to apply heat in such a way as to kill most of the bacteria without producing undesirable change in the milk; in the latter, to apply enough heat to kill all the bacteria, but with the least possible undesirable change. Chemical preservatives in milk are considered injurious to health, and are forbidden by pure food legislation in many states.

What is commonly known as the richness of milk depends upon the amount of butter fat it contains. There is no much difference in the composition of milk from different cows that make large butter and cheese factories now test all the milk they buy, and pay for it according to its butter fat content.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 7th, 1909.

The Payne tariff bill, after twenty weeks of almost continuous debate, is finally on the statute books and the Dingley law has passed into history. Final action on the bill was taken by the Senate on Thursday afternoon, August 5, and within three hours after the passage of the measure by the upper house, the President affixed his signature and the first session of the Sixty-first Congress adjourned sine die. The bill went into effect that night at midnight. After signing the bill the President made a statement of his views, saying: "I have signed the Payne tariff bill because I believe it to be the result of a sincere effort on the part of the Republican party to make a downward revision and the comply with the promises of the platform as they have been generally understood and as I interpreted them in the campaign before election. President Taft frankly admits that he is not wholly satisfied with the measure, saying: 'The bill is not a perfect tariff bill or a complete compliance with the promises made, strictly interpreted, but a fulfillment free from criticism in respect to a subject matter involving many schedules and thousands of articles could not be expected.' There have been a great number of real decreases in rates, and they constitute a sufficient amount to justify the statement that this bill is a substantial downward revision and a reduction of excessive rates."

To the many who put their faith in a tariff commission the President's words on that subject will prove an occasion of gratification for he says that the provision contained in the maximum and minimum section gives him "a wide latitude for the acquisition, under circumstances favorable to its truth, of information in respect to the price and cost of production of goods at home and abroad, which will throw much light on the operation of the present tariff and be of primary importance as officially collected data upon which future Executive recommendations may be based."

The session of Congress just concluded demonstrated in a remarkable degree the impossibility of enacting a tariff law in accordance with the Republican national platform, that is, making the duties equal the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad plus a reasonable profit for American industries, without data bearing on the various industries other than that furnished by protected manufacturers whose personal profits are dependent on the tariff and whose views cannot be in any sense unbiased. Such manufacturers appear before the committee of Congress and assert that any reduction of the duties blow the existing law will ruin their business and throw thousands out of work. The few who attempt to controvert these statements are, naturally, less familiar with the details of a given industry than those engaged in it and they are generally made to appear ridiculous because of that lack of familiarity. The Senator or Representative dependent on the manufacturers in his district in large measure for re-election is hardly in a position to treat their statements with incredulity. It is, therefore, imperative that Congress should have some official data on which to act and that, above all, the President who, as Mr. Taft has well said, has the entire country for his constituency, should possess that data also. Only a tariff commission of the type designed by President Taft can furnish such data.

Some of the leaders in Congress sought to amendulate the tariff provision commission, as is clearly demonstrated by the statement of Senate Hale in debate that under the provision the President would have no power to investigate costs of production at home or abroad. The assurance of so able a lawyer as President Taft that the provision as enacted affords him wide latitude to secure just such information is, therefore, most reassuring to a majority of the people even though it may greatly contribute to the discomfiture of Mr. Hale.

The President purposes to appoint his commission as he can find just the right men. For a time the commission will doubtless be fully occupied securing the information necessary to the intelligent enforcement of the maximum and minimum provision, but even in connection with that work much valuable data will be secured and immediately that phase of the work is completed the commission will turn its attention to the determination of costs of production at home. There is one way in which the reactionaries in Congress, men like Senator Cannon, can defeat the purpose of the President and that is by refusing to appropriate the funds necessary to pay the salaries and expenses of the commission; but if the people will do their part and insist that this course shall not be pursued, the President will have full power to make these all important investigations.

GIVE THE CHILDREN SUGAR

Children may eat too much sugar and they may also stay too long in their tub, or in the creek when they go swimming, or get tanned or a headache from playing too long in the sun, or chilled by staying too long in the open air; but is that any sound reason why they should be deprived of sweets, sunlight, baths and fresh air, or discouraged from indulging in them?

All that is needed, says Dr. Woods Hutchinson in Success Magazine, is a little common-sense regulation and judicious supervision, not prohibition, or denunciation. Most of the extraordinary craving for pure sugar and candy, which is supposed to lead the average child to inevitably "founder himself" if left to his own sweet will and a box of candy, is due to a state of artificial and abnormal sugar starvation, produced by an insufficient amount of this invaluable food in his regular diet. Children who are given plenty of sugar as their meat, bread and butter, and puddings, a regular allowance of cake and plenty of sweet fruits, are almost free from this craving for candy; this tendency to gorge themselves to sorcery, and can usually be trusted with both the candy box and the sugar bowl.

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Preliminary Premium List Ready February 1st

TOPLESS POTATOES

In a letter received a few days ago by a Brandywine hundred farmer, says the Evening Journal, from a friend in Ohio, the friend says:

"Potatoes without tops are being raised by John Groves, of Salem, Ohio, on a small patch of ground and the fine large 'spuds' are being examined with curiosity and interest by hundreds of citizens and farmers, who have seen a number of them on exhibition. The patch of potatoes was planted by the owner about six weeks ago, after many experiments, and now the bulbs have grown about the size of large hen eggs, without showing the sign of a sprout, but are clean and white and are growing rapidly. Samples will be sent to the State experimental station at Wooster by the grower, who is the envy of his neighbors, who come from their potato bug slaughter to gaze in wonder on the topless crops of tubers."

Ellis Hicks says that when Delaware grows the topless potatoes the farmer may be able to get men to work on farms for \$25 a month. The top potato, Mr. Hicks says, drives the farmer's son to the city to accept an \$8 a week job with board extra.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

Blackbird Hundred!

The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT BLACKBIRD, WATSON'S STORE AUGUST 28th, 1909. From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT FLEMING'S LANDING, AUGUST 29th, 1909. From 1 to 4 P. M.

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Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

JOHN BEITH, Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

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AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART, IN TOWNSEND, DEL., EVERY SATURDAY, During AUG. and SEPT. 1909. From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

An abatement of 5 per centum will be allowed on all taxes paid during the month of August.

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WILLIAM C. MONEY, Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

Pencader Hundred!

The taxable residents of Pencader Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

OLARGOV Aug. 25th, Sept. 25th, Oct. 27th, Nov. 24th, Dec. 28th, 1 to 4 P. M.

PUMPT BRIDGE Aug. 26th, Sept. 27th, Oct. 28th, Nov. 24th, Dec. 29th, 10 to 12 A. M.

KIRKWOOD Aug. 26th, Sept. 27th, Oct. 28th, Nov. 24th, Dec. 29th, 2 to 4 P. M.

DAVET'S MILL Aug. 27th, Sept. 28th, Oct. 29th, Nov. 25th, Dec. 30th, 10 to 12 A. M.

CRANE CROSS Aug. 27th, Sept. 28th, Oct. 29th, Nov. 25th, Dec. 30th, 2 to 4 P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3.—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid after the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And of all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

JOHN T. WRIGHT, Collector of Taxes for Pencader Hundred.

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